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DESULTORY FIGHTING REPORTED ON FRONT

British Gain Positions---Germans Use Twenty-five Divisions in Effort to Break Through French Line in Order to Reach Railway Running into Amiens.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, April 8.—Two German raids on the American positions in different sectors northwest of Toul, were repulsed this morning. The Germans were driven off before they could reach the trenches by accurate machine gun and automatic fire. Their casualties were extremely heavy.

LONDON, April 8.—Yesterday, the British recaptured all their former positions on Ancre, says the war office statement today, and adds that counter attacks carried out by the United States troops, enabled the British to successfully reestablish their former lines. In Aveluy Woods, the counter attacks resulted in the capture of one hundred and twenty prisoners and several machine guns.

General Haig reported last night no heavy fighting over Sunday on the British front. His report reads success in minor operations undertaken by the United States troops.

This morning south of the Somme, sharp fighting occurred when the enemy counter attacked strongly in an attempt to regain his former positions but suffered heavy losses.

The British troops advanced their lines slightly last night east of Valre and south of Corbie. Along the south bank of the Somme, they made more gain. General Haig reports today.

WILSON ANSWERS KING'S GREETING

LONDON, April 8.—Replying to greetings on the occasion of the anniversary of the entry of the United States into the war, President Wilson telegraphed King George the following: "Permit me to assure your Majesty that we shall continue to do everything possible and put the whole force of the United States in this struggle."

NORTH ON BUSINESS

J. J. Daly, manager of the Ketchikan Power Company mill here left on the Spokane last evening for Wrangell on a short business trip.

HERE FROM WRANGELL

W. Patterson and L. C. Lemieux, of Wrangell arrived from the north on a small gasboat Saturday and are guests at the Revilla while here on business.

endeavor to improve its positions and to secure better jumping off places between Mesnil and Bucquoy. The Germans are now occupying very unfavorable positions for artillery movements and only by short movement could they concentrate an attack upon the Allies.

LONDON, April 8.—Shifting their main attacks from the regions of Montdidier and Albert, the Germans have advanced a maximum depth of four miles on a five-mile front. At the extreme southern flank, their offensive fronts, according to a statement of the Berlin war office, they made small success, capturing two small villages.

PARIS, April 18.—The Germans last night renewed their attacks on the French positions in the region of Cauchy and Barisis on the Oise front, in which sector the French earlier in the day had withdrawn to prepare their positions, says the war office statement this afternoon.

PARIS, April 8.—Bombardment of Paris by German long range guns was resumed this afternoon.

Premier Clemenceau and Secretary Baker reached the city yesterday.

WITH THE FRENCH ARMY, April 8.—Today twenty-five divisions which have been used by the enemy the last four days in an effort to break through the French line in order to reach the railway running south from Amiens, were completely checked by the wonderful power of resistance of the French troops, some of whom were thrown into active battle as soon as they arrived on the battlefield.

ALASKA NEWSPAPER MAN VISITING HERE

T. R. Needham, one of Alaska's veteran newspaper publishers, and Mrs. Needham, who arrived from the south on the City of Seattle last week are visiting in Ketchikan and are guests at the Revilla.

Mr. Needham has been connected with the Alaska press for a number of years, being at one time publisher of the Wrangell Sentinel, later affiliated with the Fairbanks Times and still more recently with the Anchorage Times. Mr. and Mrs. Needham left Anchorage last September for the "outside" but the call of the north proved too strong and they are again looking for a suitable location in the Alaska newspaper field.

H. R. Raffelson, of Sulzer, Geo. May, of Astoria, F. G. Beckett and wife of Centralia, are guests at the Revilla.

TURKISH ARMENIA VIRTUALLY CLEARED OF RUSSIANS, REPORT

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 8.—Turkish troops are advancing over a wide front in Caucasus, says an official statement issued today by the Turkish war office. The statement adds that Turkish Armenia is virtually cleared of all Russians.

BOSTON, April 8.—According to a cablegram received here by the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, the whole Armenian race is in peril of extinction through the threatened combination of hostile Turks and Tartars in the Caucasus.

LOYD GEORGE IS OPTIMISTIC

LONDON, April 8.—Premier Lloyd George last Saturday evening telegraphing to Lord Mayor of London on the occasion of a luncheon given to the cabinet officers in honor of America's entry into the war said: "During the next few weeks America will give Prussian military Junkers the surprise of their lives."

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., April 8.—Judge Crumpacker, of the Superior court here has held the Indiana Prohibition law as constitutional. He refused an injunction restraining its enforcement.

LONDON, April 8.—During the year ending March 31, the merchant tonnage built in the shipyards of the United Kingdom, was double that built in the year ending March 31, 1917. According to a table issued here by the British admiralty, 1,237,515 tons were constructed in the last year.

M. M. BANK TO OPEN CONTEST FOR CITY BOY SCOUTS

Mr. A. R. Larson, cashier of the local Miners and Merchants Bank announced this morning that the Bank will award two prizes to the Boy Scouts of the city, in connection with the Third Liberty Loan Campaign now on. Ten dollars in gold will be awarded to the Scout obtaining the largest number of individual subscriptions, regardless of the total amount, and another ten dollars in gold will be awarded to the Scout obtaining the largest amount in dollars in subscriptions to the Liberty Loan Bonds. The contest is now on and will remain open till May 4, when the subscriptions to the Third Liberty Loan close.

The Boy Scouts of the city have already been doing a great deal towards making the drive in Ketchikan a great success, and the Bank has seen fit to recognize their efforts by offering a reward.

ALASKA COMING

SEATTLE, April 8.—The steamer Alaska sailed for the north this morning at nine with the following passengers booked for Ketchikan—H. C. Strong, C. R. Black, Jr., W. D. Crooks, R. C. Houck, T. C. McBride, Robert Scott, P. F. Vian, Mrs. J. C. Edwards, George Dorval, C. L. Stahl and one Japanese. She carries a total of three hundred and eighty-two passengers, mostly cannery crews.

WATSON FIRST BOAT TO ANCHORAGE

The Admiral Watson due to arrive in Ketchikan about 6 p. m. today will be the first steamer to visit Anchorage this season, according to an announcement made today by Mr. V. A. Peterson, agent for the Pacific S. S. Co., here.

The Jefferson arrived from the south at nine o'clock last evening with but three passengers for Ketchikan, Chas. Jacobsen and F. G. Beckett and wife. Leaving for the north were W. Bragett, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McFarland and daughter, Mrs. O. Ryan and Mrs. B. Clifton.

The Spokane from the south arrived at six p. m. yesterday bringing 45 tons of freight and the following passengers for Ketchikan, P. Lomen, J. Moe, T. Lestorn, Mrs. Gustavson, J. Guire, J. Ausley, C. Keeken, Belle R. McGibner, Walter Jones, Mrs. Jones, Mr. Sombeiger, G. Jensen, A. Thomas, J. Elvin, P. Williams. Going north at 9 p. m. were Fred Sampson, J. J. Daly, F. B. Marr, W. A. Jones, M. H. Anderson and Gus Budnich.

MOVEMENTS OF BOATS SOUTHBOUND.

Northwestern tomorrow a.m. City of Seattle, Tuesday p.m. Prince Rupert Tuesday p.m. Admiral Farragut 10th. Spokane Saturday. Admarl Watson 6 p. m. today. Princess Sophia tonight. Despatch Wednesday. Alaska Wednesday.

4 BILLIONS ALREADY SECURED

Seattle Comes Ahead with Six Millions As Its Contribution

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Subscription to the third Liberty Loan last Saturday from all reports is conservatively estimated at four billions, according to the Treasury department. Nearly every town over-subscribed its quota, it is stated.

Seattle, April 8.—With a little war-pain on Saturday, every other man apparently went after his neighbor to buy a bond, and succeeded in securing subscription to the amount of six millions. Seattle is proud of its day's work.

BRITISH TROOPS ARE LANDED AT VLADIVOSTOCK

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Today the State Department received the news that a British force had been landed at Vladivostock, following the Japanese party into the city. The news reached the department through the American consul at Vladivostock. No details were received.

PRESIDENT ANSWERS GERMANY

Says Right Will Throw Every Dominant Down Into The Dust

BALTIMORE, April 8.—President Wilson in his speech Saturday night before the largest assemblage ever gathered here, gave America's answer to the Germans in their drive on the western front, and for the renewed propaganda for a German made peace. The President said in part: "I accept the challenge, to which there is but one response possible, and that is to use the United States' force to the utmost, a force without stint or limit, a righteous triumphant force which shall make right the law of the world and cast every selfish dominant down into the dust."

The doom of the military power in Germany was pronounced by President Wilson in his speech at Baltimore Saturday, says the Washington Post today, and that whether or not the Allies are strong enough to break it into pieces, the German military power, remains to be seen, but in time America is able to defeat the enemy, is as little doubtful as she is resolved to do it, however long the work may take.

KETCHIKAN HAS SUBSCRIBED \$75,000 TO LOAN ALREADY

Mr. A. R. Larson, cashier of the Miners & Merchants Bank reported as the Progressive-Miner was going to press, that, although nothing definite could be stated, Ketchikan had taken at least \$75,000 worth of bonds to date. A more complete report will be made of the day's sales in tomorrow's issue.

FIREMEN MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Firemen at the Firemen's Hall this evening at 7:30. Important business, all be on hand, by order of H. M. Stackpole, Chief.

WEATHER REPORT

For 24 hours ending 6 p. m. Saturday no precipitation, max. temp. 49°, min. 24°. Sunday precipitation .15 inches, max. temp. 42°, min. temp. 30° above.

GROUND GLASS FOUND IN FOOD AT CAMP TRAVIS MANY ILL

SAN ANTONIO, April 8.—Proof of the presence of ground glass in nine different articles of food shipped to the 90th Division at Camp Travis, is announced by Major Gains. Fifty members, among officers and enlisted men's families are reported ill today.

ABERDEEN, April 8.—Mrs. M. McDonald of this city, is believed to hold the local record for fast sock knitting. Last week she knit six pairs of socks. She has five sons in the service.

BILL TO DRAFT INDUSTRIAL SLACKERS UNDER CONSIDERATION

WASHINGTON, April 8.—President Wilson had before him Saturday evening a plan submitted by the war labor department designated to use the draft machinery to put industrial slackers at work. The president is said to favor the plan.

LONDON, April 8.—Turkey has issued an official announcement that she is preparing an expedition to "restore order in Crimea," says a dispatch from Copenhagen today.

RESTRICTIONS ON MAILING PARCELS TO THE SOLDIERS

Office of the Postmaster General Washington, March 28, 1918. Order No. 1,259.

On and after April 1, 1918, parcels for members and individuals connected with the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe shall not be accepted for mailing or dispatched unless they contain such articles only as are being sent at the written request of the addressee, approved by his regimental or higher commander or an executive officer of the organization with which he is connected.

A. S. BURLISON, Postmaster General Office of Third Ass't Postmaster General

Washington, March 28, 1918. Postmasters and postal employees are instructed to give wide publicity to the foregoing Order No. 1,259, prohibiting the acceptance for mailing to members of the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe of parcels containing articles other than those which are being sent at the written request of the addressee, approved by his regimental or higher commander or an executive officer of the organization with which he is connected.

Postmasters must secure the assurance of the sender in each case that all the articles contained in the parcel are sent at the addressee's written request and that such request is enclosed in the parcel, by requiring the sender to place on the wrapper of the parcel under his name and address the following indorsement:

"This parcel contains only articles sent at approved request of addressee, which is enclosed."

The approved written request shall be enclosed in the parcel.

Parcels containing articles not being sent in accordance with such approved written request shall not be accepted for mailing. Such parcels when offered for mailing shall be returned to the sender.

The foregoing order and instructions are issued at the request of the War Department and in pursuance of an order of that Department dated March 26, 1918, which provides as follows:

"In future shipments of any articles to members of the American Expeditionary Forces abroad will be limited to those articles which have been requested by the individual to whom same are to be shipped, such request having been approved by his regimental or higher commander. Parcel-post shipments will be accepted by the Post Office authorities and other shipments by express or freight companies only upon presentation of the above approved request in each individual case."

The Post Office Department believes that this action is prompted by military necessities and that the public will cheerfully acquiesce in it. Postmasters are hereby instructed to enforce it rigidly.

A. M. DOCKERY, Third Assistant Postmaster General

THE WORLD WAR A YEAR AGO TODAY

April 7, 1917. German cruiser Cormoran, interned at Guam, blown up by crew. April 8, 1917. Austria broke off diplomatic relations with U. S.

RUSSIANS SINK WARSHIPS RATHER THAN GIVING THEM UP

Government Gives Orders to Resist Japanese Invasion of Russian Territory---State of Siege Proclaimed at Kharkov---German Troops Leaving Al and Islands

PETROGRAD, April 8.—Russian warships which have been anchored in the harbor at Helsingfors, have left port for Kronstadt, according to a cable received here today.

Another report says the German troops are marching from Aland Islands across the ice at the mouth of the Gulf of Bothnia in the direction of Abo, a seaport on the southern coast of Finland. The purpose is not known.

MOSCOW, April 8.—A state of siege has been proclaimed at Kharkov according to advices this morning.

KIEVE, April 8.—Field Marshal von Elchhorn, who has been in command of one of the German army groups operating on the Russian front, has arrived here to assume the chief command of the German troops in Ukraine.

MOSCOW, April 8.—Orders have been given to all the Siberian Councils of Soldiers and Workmen dele-

gates to resist invasion of any Russian territory. The orders followed a statement issued by the Council of National Commissaries saying, "Japan has started a campaign against the Soviet Republic that should not have been started." It then points out that the landing of troops at Vladivostock was effected immediately after the murder of a Japanese without waiting for an investigation to be made, and adds that the crime was part of a pre-arranged plan to hasten the landing of troops.

PETROGRAD, April 8.—Russian warships were sunk by their commanders off the southern coast of Finland rather than let them fall into the hands of the Germans. They were blown up after German warships had opened fire on them, according to an official report received today.

TERM OF COURT OPENS TODAY AND ADJOURNS AT ONCE

Court Officials to Arrive on City of Seattle. Many Cases Coming up This Term

The spring term of the U. S. District Court, scheduled to open today, was formally declared open at 10 o'clock, and on account of the non-arrival of the officials from Juneau, it adjourned immediately. The court officials who are expected to arrive on the City of Seattle tomorrow night are Judge Robert W. Jennings, Marshal J. M. Tanner, District Attorney J. A. Smiser, Assistant J. J. Reagan, J. T. Reed, assistant clerk, J. W. Bell, clerk of the Court, W. W. Casey, chief deputy, Mrs. C. Z. Denny, of the clerk's office, Mrs. L. A. Green, court stenographer, and Miss Ina Liebhart, stenographer to the District Attorney. Marshal Wallace of Wrangell arrived on the Santa Ana last evening escorting one prisoner, Cruz Martinez, charged with cutting with intent to wound and maim, one of his countrymen. He was bound over to appear before the grand jury here.

RED CROSS RECEIVES \$5 THRU THE MAIL

The local Red Cross Chapter acknowledges the receipt of a \$5 bill contained in an unsigned letter from an unknown friend and wishes to express their appreciation for the gift which will be used to good advantage.

FIREMEN DANCE BRINGS OUT GAY CROWD

Success Financially and Socially Four-Minute Men Speak on Third Liberty Loan

With some 250 persons present between the hours of 9 and midnight, the Annual Ball given by the city Firemen, proved to be one of the most patriotic ever given in Ketchikan. The proceeds, which are to be turned over to the local Red Cross Chapter, have not been announced as yet, but it is believed a substantial sum will be realized after all expenses have been paid.

Moose Hall was in gala array with patriotic emblems, flags, draperies and Lighthouse pennants.

Senator Heckman, Jno. R. Beagle, and Dr. B. L. Myers, the three speakers selected to talk on the Third Liberty Loan, made brief but very impressive talks, containing facts about the Loan not generally known, and received thunderous applause from their audience. The results of the dance, financially will be reported tomorrow if possible.



COME ACROSS FOR UNCLE SAM

Every American who has accepted the great blessing that God has given, and has lived the large and free life bought by the blood of many brave and devoted men, and passed on to us a priceless heritage, has a chance now to repay.

It is for him at this instant to testify to the world what he knows he owes his country.

He should at once, and cheerfully, give a little of his goods that his country has secured to him.

He should promptly say to the world, which is listening, and perhaps cynically criticising: "When my country asks me for life or for money I cheerfully offer both."

He should demonstrate that patriotism is something greater and more sacred than an idle sentiment.

And in contributing according to his means for the high purpose placed before him by his President, he should appreciate that in reality he is making no gift, but is investing in the greatest security in the world.—THE PLEDGE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."

This space contributed by—SENATOR HECKMAN



THE WAR WON'T WAIT AND ONLY THRIFT CAN WIN

Only Thrift will win this war—curbing extravagance and waste, spending money only for necessary things and lending our Savings to the Government for war uses.

In doing without unnecessary things, and lending the saving to the Country, you are at once helping the Government to finance the war, and saving for yourself.

Every War Savings Stamp you buy shortens the war. Every one lengthens your savings total.

For the War Savings Stamp you buy this month for \$4.15 you will receive \$5.00 in five years' time.

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